Upgradation Project of Karnataka Government

2596. SHRIMATI PREMA CARIAPPA: Will the Minister of SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether his Ministry has approved any proposal of Karnataka Government on improvement/upgradation project in view of the Maha Masthakabhisheka scheduled for February, 2006;

(b) the action that has been taken to commence the said work to complete it before January, 2006; and

(c) the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI K.H. MUNIYAPPA) : (a) to (c) Yes, Sir. Two road works for improvement of Hirisave-Shravanabelagola-Channarayapatna road covering a length of 12 km costing Rs. 4.98 crore have been approved under Central Road Fund Scheme in view of the Maha Masthakabhisheka. Tenders have been invited and these works are scheduled to be completed by January, 2006.

Expressway Around Delhi

2597. SHRI MANOJ BHATTACHARYA:
SHRI LALIT SURI:
SHRI NAND KISHORE YADAV:

Will the Minister of SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the proposal to build an expressway around Delhi so as to ensure that trucks and buses coming from Haryana and other Western States bound for Uttar Pradesh, Rajasthan and beyond and vice versa, do not have to pass through Delhi, has been finalized;

(b) if so, the details thereof indicating expenditure required to be borne on the project and the extent to which that would be shared by Centre and the concerned States; and

(c) by when the work on the project is likely to commence and the likely date on which the expressway would become operational?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI K.H. MUNIYAPPA) : (a) to (c) In pursuance of the Supreme Court orders, there is a proposal to build a peripheral expressway around Delhi. The estimated cost of project is Rs. 3657 crore and will be shared by Central Government, Government of Haryana, Uttar Pradesh and National Capital Territory of Delhi. Since the project is in the preliminary stage and the alignments are yet to be finalized, the work has not yet started. At this stage, therefore it is not possible to indicate the targets for completion of the work.

MAHU By-Pass on NH-3

†2598. SHRIMATI MAYA SINGH: Will the Minister of SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have received a proposal for the demarcation of Mahu By-Pass on National Highway No. 3 passing through Madhya Pradesh to be included in Tenth Five Year Plan;

(b) if so, whether the same has been included in the plan; and

(c) if so, the present status thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI K.H. MUNIYAPPA) : (a) and (b) The construction of Mahu Bypass is a part of proposed four laning of Indore-khalghat section of NH-3 included in the list of works to be taken up under National Highways Development Project (NHDP) Phase-III on Build, Operate & Transfer (BOT) basis.

(c) The Government has accorded approval to NHDP Phase-III.

Funds for Maintenance of National Highway

†2599. SHRI BALAVANT ALIAS BAL APTE:
SHRI RUDRA NARAYAN PANY:

Will the Minister of SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.